Payment of wage arrears to PSU employees

819. SHRI GAYA SINGH:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a Committee of Secretaries has been formed on the issue of the payment of wage arrears and other statutory dues to Public Sector Undertakings employees;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a Group of Ministers (GoM) has been formed to resolve the problems of PSU employees; and

(c) if so, the details of the Members of these two Committees and the work so far done by these Committees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Group of Ministers (GoM)Comprises Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission; Minister of Labour; Minister of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Minister of Power; Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Information Technology; Minister of Commerce and Industry; Minister of Textiles; Minister of Surface Transport and Minister of Finance.

The Committee of Secretaries Comprises Secretary, Ministry of Labour; Secretary Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance; & Secretary, Department of Public Enterprises and Heavy Industry. The Secretaries of Ministry of Textiles, Ministry of Coal, Ministry of Steel, Ministry of Surface Transport, Ministry of Water Resources, Ministry of Commerce, Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals, and Department of Fertilizers have been co-opted as members.

The Committee of Secretaries met on 14.2.2000 to discuss and give recommendations on the strategy for liquidation of statutory dues of workers employed in Central Public Sector Undertakings for submission to the GoM.